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SACRAMENTO UPDATE – STATUS OF COUNTY-SPONSORED LEGISLATION

This memorandum provides the current status of County-sponsored legislation that the Sacramento advocates have been pursuing in the second year of the 2013-14 Legislative Session. The deadline to pass bills out of the house of origin is Friday, May 30, 2014.

County-Sponsored Legislation Related to the New Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Hospital

Funding Mechanism for the New Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Hospital. The Sacramento advocates successfully secured County-sponsored budget trailer bill language to ensure financing for the new Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Hospital, as provided under the agreement with the State, the University of California and the County contained in **County-sponsored AB 2599 of 2010** (Chapter 267, Statutes of 2010).

The trailer bill language was approved by the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee on May 23, 2014, and by the Assembly Budget Committee on May 28, 2014. This item will be included in the FY 2014-15 State Budget submitted by the Legislature to the Governor for his final approval. Representatives from the Administration testified in budget committee hearings that the trailer bill language is consistent with the original funding agreement for the new hospital and is not expected to result in additional costs to the State.

County-Sponsored Legislation to Combat Sex Trafficking

SB 473 (Block), which as amended on September 3, 2013, would add human trafficking to the list of felony offenses that may be used to establish a pattern of criminal gang activity pursuant to Proposition 21 of 2000 and make an individual eligible for enhanced criminal sentences and penalties. This measure is currently on the Assembly Inactive File awaiting consideration.

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SB 955 (Mitchell), which as introduced on February 6, 2014, would add human trafficking to the list of offenses for which interception of electronic communications (wiretaps) may be ordered, passed the Senate by a vote of 32 to 0 on May 27, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly.

SB 982 (Huff), which as amended on April 29, 2014, would make it either a misdemeanor punishable by not more than one year in county jail or a felony punishable in a county jail for 16 months, two or three years, for individuals who seek to procure, or procure the sexual services of a prostitute if she or he is under 18 years of age and the individual knew, or reasonably should have known, he or she was under 18. SB 982 would make a second and subsequent violation for that offense a felony punishable in a county jail for up to three years, was held in the Senate Appropriations Committee on May 23, 2014 and will not proceed this year.

SB 1388 (Lieu, Hill and Mitchell), which as amended on May 20, 2014, would set the minimum fine for conviction of pimping of a minor at \$5,000, maintains the maximum fine of \$20,000, and would establish a fine of not less than \$1,000 but not more than \$10,000 for anyone convicted of soliciting a minor. Additionally, SB 1388 would make a person who seeks to purchase or who purchases a commercial sex act guilty of a misdemeanor punishable in a county jail for at least 48 hours, but not more than six months, and by a fine of at least \$1,000 and not more than \$50,000, passed the Senate by a vote of 34 to 0 on May 27, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly.

Other County-Sponsored Legislation

AB 1607 (Fox), which as amended on May 6, 2014, would clarify the process by which the county of domicile is determined for a Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) being considered for conditional release and would require the county or counties alleged to be the county of domicile to be given notice of a domicile hearing and allow the county or counties to be given an opportunity to submit declarations and present documentary evidence as to the issue of domicile. Once domicile has been established, AB 1607 would allow the designated attorney of the county of domicile to later elect to represent the State at the SVP conditional release hearing. AB 1607 passed the Assembly by a vote of 75 to 0 on May 23, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Senate.

AB 2273 (Ridley-Thomas), which as introduced on February 21, 2014, would require the State, beginning on January 2013, to reimburse counties for conducting legislative and congressional special elections, was held in the Assembly Appropriations Committee on May 23, 2014 and will not proceed this year.

AB 2275 (Ridley-Thomas), which as amended on April 10, 2014, would provide local agencies with the option to provide constituents access to their vital records via an

electronic identification process, passed the Assembly by a vote of 69 to 0 on May 8, 2014. This measure is pending hearing in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

AB 2507 (Bocanegra), which as amended on April 10, 2014, would amend the California Public Records Act (CPRA) to clarify that public entity attorney billing records prepared in connection with a pending civil action in which the public entity is a defendant are exempt from CPRA's disclosure provisions, was held in the Assembly Judiciary Committee at the request of the author and will not proceed this year.

AB 2534 (Dababneh), which as introduced on February 21, 2014, would authorize the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, upon agreement with the Sheriff, to enter into contracts with private community correctional facilities to house inmates sentenced to county jail, was held in the Assembly Public Safety Committee at the request of the author and will not proceed this year.

SB 498 (Lara), which as amended on January 27, 2014, would include conversion technologies in the definition of "biomass conversion" and define "biomass conversion" to mean the production of heat, fuels, or electricity by the controlled combustion of, or the use of other noncombustion thermal conversion technologies on specified materials, when separated from other solid waste, passed the Senate by a vote of 34 to 0 on January 28, 2014 and is pending consideration in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee.

SB 498 is intended to accomplish the objectives of **County-sponsored SB 804 of 2013**, which was vetoed by the Governor on October 11, 2013. SB 498 addresses concerns raised by the Governor by making clear that conversion technologies may process biomass material and by clearly defining conversion technology as a biological, chemical or thermal process that converts biomass into energy or fuel.

SB 827 (Liu), which as amended on April 8, 2014, would extend to January 1, 2020, the authorization contained in **County-sponsored SB 62 of 2011**, which allows Los Angeles County to send notifications to occupants of a residential property when a notice of default or of sale has been recorded on that residence and provides for related counseling and assistance, passed the Senate by a vote of 25 to 10 on April 28, 2014. This measure is scheduled to be heard in the Assembly Local Government Committee on June 4, 2014.

SB 909 (Pavley), which as amended on May 13, 2014, would: 1) allow a social worker to authorize a non-invasive initial medical, dental, and mental health screening of a child in temporary custody that is necessary prior to the required initial petition hearing to help meet the needs of detained children in the dependency system; 2) require the social worker to first make reasonable attempt to notify the parent that the child taken into temporary custody will be undergoing a non-invasive initial medical, dental, and mental health screening; and 3) require that physical examinations of children over three years of age

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shall not require the removal of the child's undergarments, among other provisions. SB 909 was held in the Senate Appropriations Committee on May 23, 2014 and will not proceed this year.

SB 1089 (Mitchell), which as introduced on February 19, 2014, contains technical amendments to **County-sponsored AB 396 of 2011** which allows counties and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to draw down Federal Medicaid matching funds to provide reimbursement for the medical treatment of detained juveniles who require in-patient hospital services outside of a detention facility for more than 24 hours. This measure passed the Senate by a vote of 34 to 0 on April 10, 2014. This measure is currently awaiting a hearing in the Assembly Health Committee.

SB 1136 (Huff and Mitchell), which as amended on May 27, 2014, would: 1) authorize the California Department of Social Services to share summary information related to a criminal record clearance or exemption granted by the department with a county child welfare agency with responsibility to monitor the health and safety of persons receiving care, treatment, or services from state-licensed foster homes, certified homes of licensed foster family agencies, and employees of those agencies, and licensed group homes; and 2) authorize a county child welfare agency to submit to the California Department of Justice fingerprint images and related information of an individual who has received a criminal record exemption, for the purposes of obtaining information as to the existence and content of a record of State or Federal convictions and arrests; among other provisions, passed the Senate by a vote of 36 to 0 on May 28, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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